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FUND GRANT TO AID REFUGEES

NEW YORK - An emergency grant of \$10,000 has been made to the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Indiana by the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief to assist in the resettlement of Cuban refugees in the area.

The Fund authorized the grant in response to a request from the Rt. Rev. William C. R. Sheridan of the diocese. The grant will be used to purchase a small building in Gary, Ind., for \$5,000, to serve as a refugee welcome house, with \$4,000 allocated for the refurbishing and equipping of the center. The remainder of the grant will be used to pay for utilities.

Bishop Sheridan said that "these modest facilities could be used for future refugee groups and could be of fundamental help for years to come." The facilities will provide temporary housing, and food and clothing can be distributed from the center.

Christ Church in Gary has already undertaken the sponsorship of about 40 Cuban refugees and the new facility will enable the parish to enlarge its work. Bishop Sheridan pointed out that local and diocesan funds for housing, feeding and clothing the refugees have almost been exhausted.

He pointed out that Christ Church parishioners have offered to donate their labor in the refurbishing of the house which the grant will enable them to buy. Other parishes in the diocese are sending food and clothing for the refugees.

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